municipality of the town of Hosadurga and it was found that there was not enough traffic to justify stopping the mails at that station.

MR. G. CHANNAPPA (Holalkere Taluk).—

Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) When was the Shankara Trading Syndicate registered and where is its headquarters ?

(*b*) Who are its directors ?

(*c*) Whether any balance sheet and accounts are published by this syndicate as required by law; and if so, when were they received last ?

(*d*) Whether it is doing any business at all ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—48. (*a*) 20th February 1925, Bangalore City.

(*b*) Mr. H. Venkatadasappa, Land-holder and Shanbhogue, Honnudike.

Mr. Patel Channabasappa, Land-holder, Kunkamanhalli, Tumkur Taluk.

Mr. M. Krishnaswami Rao, Land-holder, Visvesvarapuram, Bangalore City.

(*c*) No balance sheet has been received. The certificate entitling the company to commence business was granted on 2nd May 1930.

(*d*) No business had been done till 17th October 1931.

MR. G. CHANNAPPA (Holalkere Taluk).—

Q.—49. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether the Government have perused the serious allegations published in the various newspapers and pamphlets regarding thesevere flogging of the political prisoners in the Central Jail, Bangalore ?

(*b*) If so, who is responsible for this and what are the reasons for the same ?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to hold an enquiry in the matter at an early date ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—49. (*a*) They had been brought to the notice of Government.

APPENDIX B.—*contd.*

(*b*) The responsibility for maintaining discipline in the Central Jail rests on the Superintendent and in the discharge of this responsibility it became necessary for him to have recourse to whipping.

(*c*) The matter was fully enquired into.

MR. B. SEETHARAMIAH (Hiriyur Taluk).—

Q.—50. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) The extent of *atchkat* under the Vani Vilasa Sagara Nala as expected by Government ?

(*b*) What was the actual extent of *atchkat* ?

(*b*) Have not the sluices and channels been made to serve 25,000 acres of land ?

(*d*) As the actual *atchkat* was subsequently found less, have the sizes of sluices and channels been made proportionately less ; if not, is not much water being wasted ?

(*e*) How many sluices and weirs (ಬಚುಗಂಡಿ) are there ; have these been provided with doors and locks ; what is the length of *nalas* in miles?

(*f*) What was the maximum extent brought under cultivation ; in what year was the extent in *hiduvali* the largest ?

(*g*) What is the extent in *hiduvali* at present ?

(*h*) (i) What is the extent lying *banjar* ; (ii) what are the reasons for such *banjar* ?

(*i*) Was not the water supply in *nalas* regulated as five days on and seven days off till the last year ?

(*j*) What is the reason for changing it as ten days off now ?

(*k*) By so increasing the off interval for ten days, what is the quantity of water saved ?

(*l*) Was not the water supply during last February and March at an interval of eight days off ; what was the quantity of water expended then ; what is the quantity of water expended in January, February and March 1932 ?

(*m*) Have not the raiyats represented to the Deputy Commissioner and the Executive Engineer about their grievances and the loss sustained by them owing to drying up of paddy plants due to this change in the distribution of water without previous notice to the raiyats ?

(*n*) Will the Government be pleased to order any relief or compensation to raiyats who have thus sustained loss after investigating the extent of such loss caused by